

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Infrastructure & Investment Department – AP Maritime Board– Issuance of NOC to Water Sports crafts and safety guidelines for conducting water sports Activity- Approval of SOP – Orders – Issued.

INFRASTRUCTURE & INVESTMENT DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 10

Dated: 17-01-2020

Read:

Letter No. DOP/D2/3394/2017, dated 27.12.2019 of DY.CEO, AP Maritime Board, Visakhapatnam.

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ORDER:

In the circumstances reported by the Deputy CEO, AP Maritime Board, Government of Andhra Pradesh, in the reference read above, Government after careful examination of the matter hereby approved the Standard Operating Procedures for issuance of registration to the water sports crafts/Vessel and hence forth to follow the following procedure for the registration of waters ports crafts as per the Standard Operating Procedures:

**Registration, Survey of Water Sports Crafts and Safety
Guidelines for Conducting Water Sports Activities.**

I.

A) Registration:

1. Registration should be done only after issuance of NOC by the Tourism department to the Owner of the vessel.
2. Registration will be done by the respective Port Officers in their regions.
3. Survey will be carried out by APMB Surveyor.
4. Format for Certificate of Registry enclosed as Annexure 1
5. Format for Certificate of Survey enclosed as Annexure 2
6. Format for Declaration of Surveyor. Annexure 3.

B) Safety and security:

1. All life jackets and lifebuoys must be DGS approved.
2. Comfortable seating arrangements to be made for all.
3. The passenger launches and Para-sailing should be subjected to the Flooding test, crowding test, inclining experiment, etc., to ensure stability and remain afloat even if it is flooded with water OR full capacity of passengers OR if all passengers crowded to one side.
4. The craft lesser than 2NT, shall be provided with at least one lifebuoy.

5. Crafts between 2NT to 15 NT shall be provided with at least two lifebuoys.
6. The crafts should also be provided with some rescue quoits with 30mtr rope , fire buckets , fire extinguishers as may be appropriate.
7. Crafts lesser than 2NT, shall have one 4.5 Kg DCP fire extinguisher.
8. For crafts between 2NT to 15 NT, One 4.5 Kg DCP in addition to one mechanical foam to be kept. This will not be applicable to Jet Skis.
9. Jet Skis and crafts having outboard engine shall have automatic engine cut out in case of craft capsize.
10. It is preferred to have Boat winch parasailing for normal operations.
11. Safety and medical facility shall be provided by the operator and he shall be responsible for the same.
12. Operator shall provide third party insurance to the extent of at least Rs 2 Lakhs per passenger or as may be applicable by any other rules / regulations in force.

C) Communication Equipments:

1. Up to 2NT, Mobile Phone or portable walkie talkie with distress channel is permitted for communication
2. Between 2 NT and 15NT , VHF must be provided in addition to Mobile Phone if Mobile phone is out range or in operational.
3. AIS or similar equipment may be prescribed if considered necessary.

II After registration of the Vessel, the Tourism Department shall ensure the following for the safe operation, through Control Rooms

A) MONITORING OF SAFE OPERATIONS:

1. Water sport activity is properly monitored and sufficient infrastructure eg- rescue boats, trained lifeguards, lifesaving and firefighting equipments, communication equipments ,first aid boxes at beaches/locations, where such crafts are permitted to operate, are provided for timely assistance and rescue in case of the need.
2. Operations of all water sports crafts shall be as per NIWS safety norms.
3. Operations to be restricted to fair season in calm and settled weather conditions and in day light hours only. Further distance from shore towards seaside should not exceed 1 nautical mile and should be restricted considering size of craft, activity and other safety criteria.
4. All crafts to have valid Certificate of Registry and Certificate of Survey issued by the Ports department.
5. There should be minimum one DGS/MMD approved rescue boat provided in the location where such activities are carried out .(1 Rescue Boat if water sports craft being operated are 6, 2 Rescue Boats if water sports crafts are up to 15 and 3 rescue boat required if crafts are more than 15)

6. Sufficient trained Lifeguards are employed who will give necessary training and are provided with spare equipments such as life jackets, life buoys, buoyant apparatuses and rescue quoits.
7. Appropriate shore based monitoring by VHF and Mobile should be in place with the aim to provide timely help as and when necessary.

B. Operational Requirements:

1. The operator shall employ at least one qualified person per water sport from NIWS, RYA or YAI.
2. The operator shall employ personnel as per qualification required under IV Act as may be applicable.
3. If the operator offers parasailing as a water sport, he has to employ at least two certified persons from NIWS /RYA/YAI. The qualified person should have Power Boat Handling (PBH) and Life saving techniques (LST) certificate from either NIWS , RYA or YAI.

C. Infrastructure at Beaches:

1. As per guidelines from DG (Shipping), it is essential to have some basic facilities so that crafts and persons in distress can be provided timely help.
2. It is also necessary to have sufficient number of lifeguards with necessary training and equipments such as Life jackets, Life buoys, buoyant apparatus etc.

III . The Deputy CEO, AP Maritime Board, Government of Andhra Pradesh shall take necessary action, accordingly.

IV. The Annexures 1, 2 and 3 are attached to this order.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

R.KARIKAL VALAVEN
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Deputy CEO, AP Maritime Board, AP., Kakinada
The Managing Director, APTDC.
Copy to:
The Special Chief Secretary to Govt.
Water Resources Dept., AP. Secretariat.
The Prl.Secretary to Govt. Y.A.T&C Dept.
The Prl.Advisor to Honble CM
The PS to Spl.CS to Govt.

//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

**CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRY
ANDHRA PRADESH MARITIME BOARD**

Place Of Registry: Machilipatnam / Kakinada
No:

Registration

This is to certify that the registration requested for water sport craft "
"has been approved by this office. Therefore, ANDHRA PRADESH Maritime Board hereby grants and authorizes Certificate of Registry to the water sport craft whose particulars are given below .

Particulars

Name of the Craft			
Owner's Name			
Owner's Address			
Previous Name of Craft/ Previous Owner Name		Previous Registration Number	
Place & Year of Built			
Length overall Mtrs/ft		L.B.P. (Mtrs/Ft)	-
Breadth of vessel, Mtrs/ft		Material of Construction	
Depth of vessel Mtrs/ft.		Loaded Draft	
GT/NT		Type of Craft	
Engine Particulars		Passenger Capacity	
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Other Particulars and Information

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REMARKS:

REGISTRAR OF WATER SPORTS CRAFT
ANDHRA PRADESH MARITIME BOARD

NOTE:

1. This certificate of registration to be produced for inspection on demand by any authority authorized by Andhra Pradesh Maritime Board.
2. This certificate must be surrendered to the registration authority if so required by him.
3. While the certificate is in force, the craft name and registration marks as painted approved by Andhra Pradesh Maritime Board must not be removed or defaced.
4. In case of any accident occasioning losses of life or efficiency of the craft either in the hull. Or any part of Machinery a report by letter signed by owner or master is to be forwarded to the nearest police station, local port officer i.e (registering authority) & Tourism department within 24hours after the happening of accident
5. This Registry is valid only for water sports activity authorized by port officer and local administration.
6. This craft should not operate more than 1nautical mile from coast/beach and as prescribed by appropriate authority.
7. All other conditions, rules and regulations of local authorities to be complied at all times.
8. This certificate of registration is valid for designated area of water sports activities by the concerned authorities.
9. Craft ply only in *fair weather season, and in during no floods condition*, and in calm and settled river & Sea conditions and to be operated only in day light hours. Operational limit as per Director general shipping circular No. SS/Misc(37)2003 DTd: September 28,2004 or any other circular updated by them.
- 10.This Certificate is liable to be withdrawn/suspended if conditions of operation are not complied with.

MARKING OF LETTERS & ALPHABETS:

All crafts should get their names and registration numbers painted/repainted with fluorescent white color over a black background in order to have them clearly visible from the distance even at nighttime. This should be done in the following locations if possible.

- a. Port and Starboard side of the forecastle (Forward side).
- b. At the Centre of the stem.(If possible)
- c. Port and Starboard side at the front of wheel house (if Possible).

Numbers and letters should be in Telugu and English.

CERTIFICATE OF SURVEY

ANDHRA PRADESH MARITIME BOARD

TO REMAIN IN FORCE UNTILL THE -----

NAME OF WATER SPORT CRAFT -----

NAME OF THE OWNER-----

NAME OF THE OPERATOR:

Place of Registry & No.	GRT/NRT	Engine Details / Speed	Hull Details	DRAFT	Passenger & Crew Capacity

LSA / FFA EQUIPMENT:

INSURANCE DETAILS:

DETAILS OF TESTS CARRIED OUT:

LIMITS OF OPERATION:

1.DESIGNATED AREA OF OPERATION BY TOURISM AUTHORITY.

Issued on:

Place of inspection

CHIEF SURVEYOR

ANDHRAPRADESH MARITIME BOARD

THIS CERTIFICATE WOULD BE DEEMED TO BE SUSPENDED IF SURVEY REQUIREMENTS ARE NOT COMPLIED WITH RULES.

-Either this certificate, or the original/duplicate thereof, furnished by the Andhra Pradesh Maritime Board, is to be put up in a conspicuous part of the vessel where it will be visible to all persons on board. For small vessels and jet skis where it is not possible to display the certificate, the operator must have the same available at the operational location.

-If the number of passengers carried exceeds the number stated in the certificate, the Operator & Owner shall, be liable to be prosecuted.

-In case of any ACCIDENT occasioning loss of life, or any material damage affecting the seaworthiness or efficiency of the craft, either in the hull or in any part of the machinery or equipment, a report by letter signed by the Owner is to be forwarded to the local police, Port Officer & Andhra Pradesh Maritime Board, Visakhapatnam within 24 hours after the happening of the accident, or as soon thereafter as possible.

- Any communication addressed to the Andhra Pradesh Maritime Board related to this craft should state the Name, Port of Registry & Official Number of the craft and the Number of this certificate.

DECLARATION OF SURVEY FOR WATER SPORTS CRAFT

ANDHRA PRADESH MARITIME BOARD

1. NAME OF WATER SPORT CRAFT
2. PARTICULARS OF THE CRAFT (PREVIOUS NAME/OWNER)
3. TONNAGE G.R.T N.R.T

LENGTH	BREADTH	DRAFT	DEPTH
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4. PLACE AND DATE OF BUILT
5. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PRESENT OWNER
6. TYPE OF HULL -----
7. PLACE AND DATE OF THE CRAFT EXAMINATION CARRIED OUT-----
8. CONDITION OF CRAFT

TESTS CARRIED OUT I.-----

2.-----

3. -----

4. -----

5.-----

PLACE:

DATE:

REMARKS OF SURVEYOR - FOUND SATISFACTORY/ NOT SATISFACTORY.

**OWNER / OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE
SURVEYOR**

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